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U.S. DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SEAN F. MCAVOY, CLERK EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

Petitioner,

v.

13 ROBERT FERGUSON and SCOTT SOUZA,

NICKY LEE CREEKMORE,

Respondents.

4:20-cv-05082-SAB

ORDER SUMMARILY DISMISSING HABEAS ACTION

By Order filed August 5, 2020, the Court granted Petitioner Nicky Lee Creekmore, a prisoner at the Benton County Jail, leave to proceed in forma 19 pauperis and directed him to show cause why his pro se Petition for Writ of 20 Habeas Corpus Under 28 U.S.C. § 2241 should not be dismissed due to his failure 21 to exhaust state court remedies and as a proper exercise of abstention under 22 Younger v. Harris, 401 U.S. 37 (1971). ECF No. 11. Petitioner filed a timely 23 response on August 12, 2020 entitled, "MOTION 'SHOW CAUSE' Response." 24 ECF No. 12.

Petitioner asserts that he has filed various claims in the county superior 26 court, including a "tort" claim, which have been "delayed till after Covid-19." *Id*. at 1. He claims he is "suffering Pre-trial Hostile Conditions of Coerhercian [sic], 28 worse than Post-conviction remedies." *Id.* It is unclear what Petitioner is asserting.

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In any event, Petitioner has failed to demonstrate that he has exhausted his state court remedies or that Younger abstention is inappropriate. Therefore, for the 3 reasons set forth above and in the Order to Show Cause, ECF No. 11, the Court finds it appropriate to dismiss this action without prejudice for failure to exhaust state court remedies.

Because it plainly appears that Petitioner is not entitled to relief in this Court at this time, IT IS ORDERED the petition, ECF No. 1, is DISMISSED without prejudice pursuant to Rule 4, Rules Governing Section 2254 Cases in the United States District Courts. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all pending Motions are 10 DENIED as moot.

IT IS SO ORDERED. The Clerk of Court is directed to enter this Order, enter judgment, provide copies to Petitioner, and close the file. The Court certifies 13 that pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(3), an appeal from this decision could not be taken in good faith, and there is no basis upon which to issue a certificate of appealability. 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c); Fed. R. App. P. 22(b). A certificate of appealability is therefore **DENIED**.

DATED this 9th day of September 2020.



Stanley A. Bastian Chief United States District Judge